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Name of requestor: *

First and last name

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Email of requestor: (Responses will be provided to this email address) *

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Mailing address of requestor:

Carmel, CA 93923

Your request: (To enable staff to respond to your request as efficiently as possible, please include: The date range for the records requested; the department that holds the records (if known); and the types of records, including any important keywords. Please do not include any confidential information.) *

Mr. Knight , Ms. Hull and Ms. Johnson

This is an official public records request. So that we can continue our work in preparation to review your DEIR for the CHS stadium lights. Please provide:

A) Current pool lights.

- 1) The Footcandle and total Lumens that the current pool lights emit.
- 2) Please provide the manufacturer of the lights, their model and the type.
- 3) Please provide any study you have done to determine the distance and intensity that the lights can be seen from (i.e. from all points in the northern hills, from how deep in the valley, etc)
- 4) As your use of the lights appears to have declined, please provide a time table when you will be having swimming events or have the lights on so that we may have our professional experts do their own measurements. The pool lights provide an excellent example, at a modest level, of the light pollution that you seek to create with the stadium lights.

B) Proposed Stadium lights.

Please provide the same information of 1-3 based upon your current information.

Mr. Knight - this information is important to determine the negative impact your lights will have on the environment, the negative impact it will have on views (like the Pool lights), the negative impact it will have on property values (which we have to research whether you and your colleagues may be liable for as professionals or on a personal level. I do not know, but as "dieselgate" showed, corporate (profit or non profit) governance can be held liable for events occurring on their watch. Also, not sure if this would be a civil situation (depreciated values) or driven by environmental issues (negatively impacting the environment as determined by the appropriate public agency) or both. We have a lot of work to do.

C) Please provide any and all alternatives that you have also been seeking as a way to work with the community to minimize environmental damage, quality of life damage near CHS due to traffic and parking and quality of life damage to the community afar to due to the negative impact your lights will have on views of the ocean - from homes that have specifically been designed to maximize their view. Please keep in mind that after 80 years, many (now expensive homes) have specifically been designed to highlight and embrace the beautiful views of point lobos, the ocean and coastline. To assist you with your potential professional and personal liability on moving forward - please make sure to have your EIR team quantify the negative impact in \$ terms. We will do the same.

We have strongly suggested that you seek to create a leading edge sports complex at CMS, perhaps on the

south side, partially subterranean with a cover so that the lights, noise will be muted to the outside world, while the use of the complex can occur regardless of our unpredictable weather. Please provide all options that you have considered.

Full disclosure - we have included many people on this email, but as they are private individuals, there is no need for their email to be attached. Also, if I included CUSD people that should not have been included, please advise and I will remove them on future emails.

And finally - I am extending another offer (perhaps 3 or 4th offer) to grab a cup of coffee (or tequila as I'm good with both) to discuss in person. To be clear - everyone wants the young people to be will cared for, we just need to have it done in way that is environmentally sensitive, community focused pertaining to traffic and parking for those that live nearby and to the many people north, east and south of CHS that live in homes, designed primarily to take advantage of the beautiful views, that inconveniently, CHS sits on a plateau directly in the center of all the growth that has taken place over the last 80 years. Btw, this was anticipated in the mid 60s with the development of the Middle School, which, I understand, was supposed to be the high school.

Please feel free to call me on my cell at [REDACTED] if you would like to discuss or set up a time to grab that coffee (or tequila!). I hope and trust that if we can all work together, we can find a viable, thoughtful and enlightened solution for all.

Have a nice day and week.

Best,

Robert

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